



Tennessee Browsing Academy 16/17 May 2014

University of Tennessee
Middle TN Research & Education Center
Spring Hill, TN

A detailed, educational, hands-on 2-day seminar
sponsored by:

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TENNESSEE BROWSING ACADEMY REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

ADDRESS: _____

COST: \$145.00 PER PERSON NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ATTENDING: _____

TOTAL COST: \$ _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **UNIVERSITY of TENNESSEE**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 06 MAY 2014.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM TO: **TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY**
(or call in confirmation)

3500 J.A. Merritt Blvd., Box 9635
Cooperative Extension Program
Attn: An Peischel
Nashville, TN 37209-1651

The fifth Tennessee Browsing Academy is being hosted by Tennessee State University in their quest to offer advanced information on the enhancement of lands. A pilot project was initiated and completed 2006. This educational, hands-on 2-day seminar begins on 16 May through 17 May 2014. The program is based on the successful California Browsing Academy that has been taught for the past 14 years as a partnership of An Peischel and Roger Ingram, Extension Livestock Specialist for Placer and Nevada Counties out of Auburn, CA (University of CA – Davis). Roger Ingram, Ranching for Profit instructor, will bring “the business” part of land enhancement and land restoration to the forefront.

Day 1 (16May14) - Roger Ingram and An Peischel

8:00AM – 8:30AM	Introduction / Overview (Lecture)
8:30AM – 9:30AM	Rest Period and Graze Period (Lecture / Demonstration)
9:30AM – 10:45AM	Low Stress Goat Handling Basics
10:45AM—11:00AM	Break
11:00AM – 12:30PM	Paddock setup (Activity)
12:30PM – 1:30PM	Lunch
1:30PM – 3:00PM	Brush Ecology (Lecture / Activity)
3:00PM—3:15PM	Break
3:15PM—4:00PM	Multi-Species Grazing (Lecture / Activity)
4:00PM—5:00PM	Health and Welfare of Goats (Lecture / Activity)
Evening	Economics / Finance / Business Planning

Day 2 (17May14) - Roger Ingram and An Peischel

8:00AM – 8:30AM	Review
8:30AM—10:30AM	Nutrition / Supplementation (Lecture / Activity)
10:30AM – 10:45AM	Break
10:45AM – Noon	Field Walk / Project Assessment (Bill Legg)
Noon—1:00PM	Lunch
1:00PM – 2:30PM	Water Development / Livestock Guardian Dogs (Lecture / Activity)
2:30PM – 2:45M	Break
2:45PM – 4:00PM	Browsing Planning (Lecture / Activity)
4:00PM – 5:00PM	Monitoring (Lecture / Activity / Demonstration)

Hotel: Best Western, 104 Kedron Parkway, Spring Hill, TN, 37174-2458
(931-486-1234 or 877-486-2234)



Throughout the two days, attendees will be conducting vegetative site analysis, before and after photo monitoring, cutting fence lines, erecting portable solar powered fences, body condition scoring of goats, FAMACHA training, fecal analysis and spending time in the area with the goats monitoring plant species browsed and plant part selected. There will be a lot of hands-on, outside activities. Kiko / Spanish Meat goats will be used that are presently enhancing land in Tennessee; the basis for contracting business discussions.



NRCS (Natural Resource Conservation Service) will be in attendance to discuss programs available to producers as they relate to goat production and vegetation utilization.

The Tennessee Farmers Cooperative will discuss in detail their forage-master goat mineral (#96216) and sheep mineral (#96297).

Registration is \$145.00 (**check written to: University of Tennessee**), includes lunches, breaks, manuals, CDs, and DVDs. Please **mail the check to: Tennessee State University**, attn: An Peischel, Cooperative Extension, 3500 J.A. Merritt Blvd., Box 9635, Nashville, TN 37209-1561. For more information, call 615-963-5539 (central time) or email An Peischel (apeischel@tnstate.edu).

Directions to Middle TN Research and Research Center (MTREC)
I-65 (North or South)
Exit 53—Saturn Parkway (exit is south of TN State 840 interchange)
Go West (Parkway only goes west) approximately 3-4 miles
At split, take HWY 31 South Columbia ramp
Ramp loops down onto HWY 31 heading south
Travel approximately 1 mile to Middle TN Research and Education Center entrance-on the left, sign and US flag out front

The Tennessee Department of Agriculture has provided a grant to help fund the Tennessee Browsing Academy through the Tennessee Agriculture Enhancement Program.